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MONDAY

FUNERAL SERVICES — The funeral of Mr. William P. Dillon was held from his late residence, 211 King Street Saturday morning to St. Dunstan's Basilica where Requiem High Mass was celebrated by Rev. J. W. McCardle who also officiated at the grave. The pall bearers were Messrs Joseph McRory, Joseph Hughes, M. W. Reardon, Fred Moore, Robert Duncan and Cleaver McLean.

WINGS GRADUATES —Among those graduating recently from R. A. F. Schools were the following Prince Edward Islanders: Sgt. F L. Keizer, navigator, at London; Sgt S. M. McInnis, Charlottetown, navigator, at London, Ont.; O H Phillips, O'Leary, air bomber, at Winnipeg; R B Smith, Charlottetown, pilot, at Moncton; Sgt. B. J. McKentrick, Alberton, pilot, at Moncton; Sgt L H. Martin, Montague, pilot, at Brantford; Sgt. David Lecky, Summerside, wireless air gunner, at Mountain View; Sgt. W MacEachern, Charlottetown, pilot, at Yorkton, Sask.; Sgt W R Stewart, Charlottetown, pilot, at Yorkton; Sgt. W. S. Chandler, Charlottetown, pilot, at Souris, Man.

NEWS OF MISSING BOYS — Edward Henry, Reginald Callaghan, and Morgan MacKay, aged, 17, 15, 14 respectively, who were reported to be missing from their homes in Southport, crossed to the mainland via Car-Ferry at 10 30 Saturday night it was learned. These boys who set out for Charlottetown early Saturday afternoon and failing to return on Sunday, alarmed their parents who notified the R C M P. Sunday evening. Information received about 9 30 last night stating that the lads had left the Island relieved their parents of anxiety, but failed to give details of their destination.

TEACHERS SALARIES — An increased supplement to teachers in rural areas will be paid starting the end of January, it was announced Saturday provided for that particular class. The minimum supplement for a First Class teacher is $100, for a Second Class teacher $75 and for a Third Class teacher $50. Under the old system the Government would pay fifty cents on the dollar, up to a maximum of $50, for every dollar the district provided in supplement over the minimum Under the new system the Government will pay dollar for dollar, up to a maximum of $75 for every dollar of supplement which the dstrict votes over the minimum supplement required. This applies to all teachers except those in Charlottetown and Summerside

SERGEANT BELL EARNS D. F. C. —For "extraordinary achievement" in aerial combat, Staff Sergt. Raymond J Bell, 22 years old, son of Mr and Mrs. Austin Bell, 1418 Donovan St., Seattle and formerly of Georgetown and Albany, P. E. I. has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, says a report from an Eighth A. A. F. Bomber Command Station in England. The staff sergeant received the Purple Heart after he was wounded by a bursting 20-mm shell from an attacking Nazi fighter during the bombing of Bremen last October He also holds the Air Medal with three Oak-Leaf clusters. Right waist gunner of the Fortress "Fertile Myrtle," Sergeant Bell has flown with the same crew on 24 bombing missions. He is a graduate of Cleveland High School and was employed for 18 months at Boeing's In high school he won his varsity letter as quarterback of the 1938-39 football teams. — Seattle Times.

HEADS LONDON HOSPITAL STAFF — A well-known Chapleau physician Dr Leigh J Crozier, has been named superintendent of Victoria Hospital, London, it was officially announced by William Loveday, chairman of the hospital trust. He will take up his duties on February 1. Dr. Crozier was born on Prince Edward Island, a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. A Simpson Crozier, of Darnley, and is of English and Irish descent A graduate of Prince of Wales College, Charlottetown, McGill University and the McGill Faculty of Medicine in the class of 1935, he accepted a post in Chapleau as a colleague of the late Dr. J Sheehan, who had served the Chapleau community for over 30 years.. The citizens of Chapleau are sorry to see Dr. Crozier leave the community as he has always served them to the best of his ability for the past six years The Victoria Hospital in London, to which he has been appointed is a modern institution of almost 600 beds, and is the largest teaching hospital of the University of Western Ontario Medical School. Dr Crozier also had considerable Post Graduate work in Toronto, Montreal, Boston and New York, since leaving McGill—Sudbury Star.

A very impressive service was conducted in St. Paul's Church yesterday evening by members of the R. A. F. lead by the Padre Squadron Leader the Rev. H. W. Guinness LAC. Frank Anderson was the organist. PO Alan Calder read the lesson from Holy Scripture, and FO. Don Ward and L. A. C. Jim Hayward led in prayer. A solo "Take my life and let it be Consecrated Lord to thee" was sung by L. A. C. Arthur Lawson, and Sgt Bill Worrall and FO. Peter Ratal gave witness to their faith on their risen Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. The sermon was delivered by the Padre

Following this service of prayer and witness Holy Communion was celebrated by Squadron Leader Guinness, assisted by Rev A LeDrew Gardner, rector of St. Paul's.

Padre Guinness took for the text of his sermon one of the sentences spoken by Our Lord from the Cross.:

"My God, My God, why hast thou forsaken me?"

"Jesus Christ hangs naked and forsaken upon a Roman Cross. And what has been said and done here tonight goes back for its inspiration to that dark and dread day—that glorious and victorious day—nineteen hundred and forty four years ago."

The padre went on to recall to his hearers a little hill astride Jerusalem that might have been the hill of Golgotha, the place of a skull, and a little garden with a tomb south of Jerusalem this night well have been the tomb in which Our Saviour was laid.

—The annual meeting of the Trinity United Church, Summerside was held on January 19th in Epworth Hall, Rev. John Jarvie in the chair. The meeting opened with hymn and prayer.

On motion Mr. R S Hinton was appointed secretary of the meeting. Very satisfactory reports of the various committees were handed in and received the approval of the meeting, after which the election of stewards was the next item of business. Six new stewards were required and two to replace Albert Linkletter and Wallace Bradshaw, who, since assuming office had been elected as elders. On motion of T. H. E. Inman, seconded by D. J MacLeod, it was moved that the new members be appointed from the floor The following were appointed for a three year term: Lorne Campbell, R.S. Hinton, Heartz Godkin, Allison McLean, Chesley Robertson, W K. Llewlyn. Harry Cannon was nominated to replace Albert Silliphant and Keith Fraser was nominated to replace Wallace Bradshaw.

The annual business meeting of St. Mary's Anglican Church Summerside was held on Wednesday evening with the rector, The Rev. Archdeacon G R. Harrison presiding The rector at the outset reported that the various activities of the church had been maintained during the year and made a plea for better attendance at the services. He referred to the loss to the congregation during the past year of some of the leading parishioners by death and by removal to places elsewhere in Canada. He also referred to the need of a new rectory and trusted that the officials of the church would take some active measures to that end He mentioned with regret the illness of A B L. Horne, one of the wardens, expressing the hope that he would soon be completely recovered. The rector also extended personal thanks to all members and church organizations that had cooperated in the successful work of the parish in the past year. He hoped to see the church's work so organized that young people returning from active service would feel a welcome atmosphere.

The death occurred at his home in Montague yesterday morning of Mr. Lester B. Mellish, well-known retired business man. He had been in failing health for several years. He was about 66 years old.

Mr. Mellish was a native of Union Road, near Montague. As a young man he taught school for a time and then, about 40 years ago, went into a grocery and shop business at Montague under the firm name, Lowther and Mellish. A few years later, when his partner died, he took over the business himself and continued it as a grocery store.

He was well known in the town and in all surrounding communities and was highly respected for his business integrity.

A mayor of the town for two terms, Mr. Mellish was always prominent in community activities. He was Stipendiary Magistrate for King's County for several years. He was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Surviving in addition to his wife are two sons and three daughters. The sons are, Dr Harold Mellish at Hampton, N. B. and Milton Mellish with the Royal Canadian Air Force, stationed near Summerside. The daughters are, Miss Helen Mellish, a registered nurse in Boston, Mass., Mrs. Charles Lumsden in Charlottetown and Miss Verna Mellish, a nurse at the Prince Edward Island Hospital in Charlottetown.

A brother, Robert Mellish, on the old homestead in Union Road, and three sisters also survive. The sisters are, Mrs. Melvin Murray, Summerside, Mrs Allie Mellish in Worcester, Mass., and Mrs. Maude Corbin, Franklin, Mass.

The funeral will be held from the Christian Church at Montague, of which Mr. Mellish was a life-long member, on Tuesday afternoon.

TUESDAY

ON ACTIVE SERVICE — Word has been received by Mrs Catherine Berrigan, that her son, L-Corporal James P. Berrigan of North Wiltshire is now serving with the Central Mediterranean forces.

FAMILY BEREAVED—Word has been received by Mrs. Harry McKee of the death of her son, George C. McKee of Nyack, N.Y. and a son of the late Mr. Harry C B. McKee of this city who recently passed way while visiting his son who was ill at the time. The burial will be in Nyack.

FUNERAL SATURDAY — The funeral of the late Mrs. G. Herbert Alexander was held from the MacLean Funeral Home on Saturday afternoon to Stanhope Cemetery. Services were conducted by the Rev. T. A. Wilson. The pallbearers were: Herbert Hughes, George Hughes, Arthur Shaw, Edwin MacMillan, Lewis Marshall and Ira Carr

A surplus of $4,379.13 for the current year for the Town of Summerside was revealed at the annual meeting held last evening at which the financial statement was read by Councillor Mollison, chairman of the finance committee. Revenue for the year totalled $136,265.48 and expenditures $131,906.35. Councillor Mollison said approximately 99% of the assessments had been collected, which he thought was an excellent record. The town abbatoir had about paid for itself during the year. He said that 60% of the expenditure went into sinking funds and interest on debentures.

LITTLE CANADA IN ABERDEEN — Mrs. J. A. Stewart, 21 Elm Avenue, has received a copy of the Aberdeen Bon-Accord, which contains a very fine picture of some of the sons and daughters of the Land of the Maple Leaf, who now have a snug home away from home, provided by the Canadian Legion—the Rest Room on Market Square, Aberdeen, Scotland. Among the photos is a fine picture of A. W. Marion Ross, R C.A.F., whose home is in St. Peter's Bay, P.E.I. She is shown enjoying a cup of coffee. A second photo shows Miss Ross and two chums setting out for Aberdeen ice-rink to spend an hour at their favorite sport, skating.

—WOUNDED IN ACTION—Mrs. Emmett Trainor of Summerside (nee Gertie Savident) received a telegram on Friday announcing that her husband had been wounded in action in Italy. Sgt. Trainor who is a native of Charlottetown is with the paratroopers division, having taken his training in the airborne troop unit after going overseas. His mother resides in Charlottetown on Lower King St., he has one son at home in Summerside, Robert aged 3 years.—S

TAKES NAZI PRISONERS — The Boston Globe of Jan. 14th, reproduces a photographer headed, "Private Gets Three Nazis"—The Private is Pfc. Ira O. Creed of Johnson City, Tenn, who captured three recruits of the Hermann Goering Division behind a rock on Mt. Parchia, Italy, and marched them to the rear. The War Department said the prisoners were on front-line duty for only one night and claimed to have had very little infantry training. Mr Creed was born at Dundas, P.E.I., but lived most of his childhood days in Sturgeon. He has two aunts and two uncles still living on the old Creed Homestead in Sturgeon, also an aunt living at Dundas, Mrs Jessie Cantello. His sister and his widowed mother the former Catherine McDonald, were from Dundas, and must be justly proud of their soldier son.

There passed peacefully at South Granville on Dec. 22nd, 1943, Mr. David Bernard at the age of 71 years. The late Mr Bernard has been in failing health for about three years and on Dec. 16, suffered a hemmorrage which left him in a weakened condition from which he did not recover. Mr. Bernard was born in Elmsdale, Prince Co. and come to Granville about four years ago.

There are left to mourn a sorrowing widow also five daughters, Verna, Mrs Borden Folland; Violet Mrs. Alvin Mallett; Sylva, Ruby and Marjorie at home; also one brother George, of Elmsdale. The funeral was held from the North Granville United Church, on Dec. 24, and was conducted by the Rev. J. D. Morrison and the burial was in the church cemetery. The pallbearers were as follows: William Folland, Wesley Folland, John Falconer, Calvin Garnetter, John Stewart, James Taper.

—BEDEQUE UNITED CHURCH —The annual congregational meeting of the Bedeque United Church was held in the Church Vestry of Tuesday, Jan. 11th, at 8 p.m. The Minister, Rev. James B. Baxter, B.D., conducted the devotional service and acted as chairman. Reports of the various activities of the year's work as carried on in the different branches of both social and religious organizations were presented by the respective officers in charge of this work, and all reports showed the work of the Church to be in a very satisfactory condition. The Financial reports showed that all financial obligations were met with a small surplus in most every department. A unanimous vote of appreciation was extended to Rev Mr. Baxter for his splendid leadership on the charge, also to the Organist and Choir, to the leaders of the Sunday School and different organizations connected with the church. The officers and leaders were elected for the incoming year, and meeting closed with the Benediction.—E.

—PRESENTATION — Pte. Joseph A. Cahill of the Provost Corps stationed at Camp Borden, Ont., spent twenty-five days leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman J. Cahill Kildare. Previous to his departure a farewell party was held at his home Monday evening, January 17, where a large number of friends and relatives were present. Mr. Melvin Rayner stated the meaning of the gathering and how proud his parents must be to have such a gallant soldier with loyalty and courage in answering the call of his country. A large sum was then collected by Mr. Rayner and presented to Pte. Cahill, taken by surprise, made a very fitting reply, thanking all for their kindness and thoughtful remembrance. After which everyone sang For He's A Jolly Good Fellow A dainty lunch was served by the ladies in charge and the remainder of the evening was pleasantly whiled away by dancing to pleasing music played by Howard Foley, Alfred McKay, Ralph Arsenault. The last reel before parting was a leap year reel which was thoroughly enjoyed. Then all left wishing another Kildare boy good luck and welcomed him back real soon to his own home in sunny Kildare. Mr. Geoe Cahill accompanied his brother, Pte. Cahill as far as Montreal, where he will spend the week-end with friends

Mrs. Allister Goswell (nee Betty Murdock, daughter of Mrs Murdock and the late J. W. Murdock) was guest of honor at a miscellaneous shower at the home of Mrs. Bruce Currie, Tuesday evening, January 15th. Miss Ruth Macgregor played the Wedding March as the bride entered and was escorted to the seat of honor. The gifts were opened by Mrs. Walter Goss and Mrs Catherine Mabon, while the accompanying verses were read by Mrs Wilfred Watterworth and the gifts were nicely arranged by Mrs. Carl Boehner and Mrs. Walter Beer. The many and valuable gifts of china, silverware, linen, etc. received are eloquent testimony of the popularity of Betty, who was an active worker in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Sunday School, as well as a valued member of the Choir. After the bride had thanked those present for their lovely gifts a musical program was presented consisting of a solo "I'll Walk Beside You" by Mrs. Wm. Garrick; a solo "Little Old Lady" by Mrs Carl Boehner; a quartette by Mrs. Walter Beer, Mrs. Jas MacBeth, Miss Blanche MacLeod and Miss Florrie Beaton; a sextette by Mrs. Wilfred Watterworth, Mrs. Walter Goss, Mrs Martin Currie, Mrs. Bruce Currie, Mrs Claude Nicholson and Mrs. Carl Boehner. The quartette and sextette were humorous songs, sung to the tune of "Pistol-Packin' Mama," and caused much merriment. The accompanist for the program was Mrs. A. F. Campbell. Refreshments were served, followed by a sing-song, after which all present wished Betty may years of wedded bliss.

WEDNESDAY

ART CLUB MEETS—The meeting of the Art Club was held at the home of Miss Margaret Irving last night. Mr. Herbert W. Dick presided, and the feature of the evening was an address by Mrs. MacKay who presented a very interesting paper on Winslow Homer, American Artist. Refreshments were served, and the meeting concluded with a very pleasant social hour.

The Burns' Anniversary Celebration presented by the Hi-Y Grad's Club last night in Prince of Wales College Auditorium was a tremendous success, there being a capacity crowd of 1150 in attendance. A very great deal of credit is due Mrs. K. S. Rogers and Mrs. A. H. Roper for their capable direction of this concert. Too much praise cannot be given to all the participants, each of whom displayed splendid talent, in a really fine performance.

The amount paid as supplements to Charlottetown teachers' salaries for the year 1943 was $31,847,28, less deductions for the pension system of $660 and income tax $313.-53, or $30,873.75 net, according to the annual report of the City School Board, submitted at last night's City Council meeting.

Pupils and teachers in attendance were as follows:

Prince Street School: 224 boys, 341 girls, 18 teachers.

West Kent School: 340 boys, 201 girls, 17 teachers.

Queen Square School: 596 boys, 20 teachers.

—IS RE-ELECTED — Yesterday was nomination day in Summerside and Mayor W. J. Lidstone and Councillors T.D Morrison and Lloyd Gorrill were re-elected for another two year term by acclamation. The only election will be in the West Ward where Albon Gillis is contesting the district against Henry Wedge who is a Councillor for that district. Albon Gillis contested the West Ward against Mr. Wedge in the civic election of 1942 and was defeated. Mr. John Y. Phillips was re-elected for another three year term as water and Sewerage commissioner.—S

Mr. Donald Baker was re-elected president of the Summerside Board of Trade last night at the 44th annual meeting of the organization. Mr. W M. Mellish was made vice-president while Mr. Richard Hinton was re-elected president.

The first meeting of the board was held 44 years ago last night at the old Market Hall. Last night's session was held in the Presbyterian Church Hall. Of the original 60 charter members only three survive, Messrs. C.R. Rogers, A S. McKay and J A Morrison. All three were present at last night's banquet and honored guests of the board.

About sixty members and guests attended this year's meeting which was presided over by the president, Mr. Baker.

—SENT TO SUPREME COURT —Harry Walsh of Summerside was committed for trial at the next sitting of the Supreme Court on a charge of perjury at Summerside yesterday by Magistrate W. E. Darby. The only witness yesterday was Mr. R.H. Rogers, Prothonotary of the Supreme Court of Prince Edward Island who produced the court records and the evidence given by the accused at the preliminary hearing of Clovis Perry and Andrew Perry who were charged with conspiracy. Mr. R. S. Hinton was the prosecuting attorney and Mr. W. Henry Noonan appeared for the defence. S.

Mr. Joseph Wedge, a resident of North Carleton was taken to the Prince County Hospital at Summerside last night with critical injuries. He was picked up unconscious on the highway not far from his home It was not known when he was injured but it was presumed to have been sometime after dark

There was no definte indication as to what had happened. However, two snow plows had passed the spot where he was found a short time before and it was thought possible that he was struck by one of the machines. The plows were throwing up a heavy cloud of snow and visibility for the drivers would be very poor.

The injured man, who is about 65 years old, is understood to have been found by members of the Police detachment who were driving along the road in a car. S.

—CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY— The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Management of the Children's Aid Society of Prince County was held in the Town Hall on Monday. The president, Rev. John Jarvie presided. There was a good attendance. The matter of the children of several families outside the Town which had been receiving dependance allowance from the Dependents Allowance Board at Ottawa and which was discontinued, was discussed and it was decided to take the matter up with the Superintendent of Dependent Children, W. J. Brawders and see what could be done. The Chief of Police, Peter White reported on the cases which he had before the Juvenile Court and stated so far as truancy was concerned the police had nothing further to do with cases of truancy, that they discontinued the work at the end of the year. S.

ENLIST IN ARMY — Six more Prince Edward Island men have joined the Canadian Active Army to swell the ranks of Islanders already wearing khaki. Now stationed at No. 6 District Depot, Halifax, they leave shortly for a basic training centre. The men are: Wencil Charles Learkin, son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Learkin, St. Peter's. A brother, Pte A. J. Learkin, is also serving with the army. Major Lawrence Macausland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Macausland, whose wife lives on Duke St., Summerside. He was a fox rancher before enlisting. George Edward McGrath, son of Mr. and Mrs. Munroe McGrath, R.R. No. 3, Cardigan. Lester Neil MacSwain, son of Mr. and Mrs. John MacSwain, Peter's Road. Edward Henry Oliver, son of Mr E. H. Oliver and the late Mrs. Oliver, 45 Winter St., Summerside A brother, Pte. E. C. Oliver, is overseas with the Canadian Army. Joseph Alexander Praught, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Praught, R.R. No. 3, Richmond. A brother, Seaman L. Praught, is serving with the Navy.

RECEIVES PROMOTION —Mr. and Mrs. Frank Riggs, 186 Queen Street, have received word that their son, Harold Riggs, has been promoted to Chief Operator with the C. P. R. Telegraph Company at Cranbrook, British Columbia. Friends here will be pleased to learn of the well-merited promotion of this former Islander. Harold left here in 1920 and has been with the same company continuously for twenty-four years.

MISCELLANEOUS SHOWER. — The many friends of Miss Rhoda MacLeod gathered at her home in South Granville prior to her marriage to tender her a shower in honor of the happy event. Mrs. John H. MacLeod played the wedding march while Miss Annie Keir escorted the bride to the seat of honor. The many lovely gifts were carried in by little Miss Jean and Master Donald MacLeod and were opened by Miss Ruby Bernard and Miss Eileen Thomas, while the accompanying verses were read by Miss Ena Morrison. The gifts were nicely arranged by Miss Annabelle MacLeod. The guest of honor in a few well chosen words thanked those present for their lovely gifts which included, linen, silver, pyrex and money. During the evening a dainty lunch was served by the ladies. The remainder of the evening was pleasantly spent in social intercourse. All departed wishing her a happy wedded life.

..WEBBER - BEAMAN — A quiet but pretty wedding was solemnized in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church at Montague, P. E. Island on Friday evening, Jan. 21 at 7 p.m. when the Rev. H. J. Mathews united in marriage Miss Gladys Mildred Beaman, R.N. daughter of Mrs. Mildred D. Beaman and the late G. H. Beaman, of Moncton, N.B., with Flying Officer Percy V. Webber of the R.N. Z.A.F., son of Mr. and Mrs. P. V. Webber, Sr., of Waikato, New Zealand. The bride was attended by her cousin, Miss Marjorie Hyndman, while Mr. Charles Fraser supported the groom. Suitable music for the occasion was played by Mrs. Harry Davison. The bride looked charming in a street length dress of symphony blue with navy accessories, while the bridesmaid wore aqua marine. A reception for the immediate relatives of the bride and groom was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Davison. The bride is a graduate of the Moncton High School, also of Jeffery Hale Hospital, Quebec City. The young couple left immediately amid showers of good wishes for Quebec where the groom has been stationed.

A fine portrait of His Worship Mayor B Roy Holman, wearing his chain of office, was received by the City Council last night from Mrs. Louise Holman Fisk, of Brookline, Mass., and hung in the Council chamber along with other portraits of former Mayors of the City.

The portrait is a large size oil painting, handsomely framed. It is a striking likeness of the Mayor, and is obviously the work of an accomplished artist.

On motion of Coun. Chandler, seconded by Councillor MacKinnon, the picture was accepted and a vote of thanks and appreciation tentered to the donor.

Accompanying the picture was the following letter addressed to the City Council from Mrs. Fisk:

"It is now more than one hundred years since a young man with the spirit of a pioneer left Devonshire, England, and, after three months in a sailing vessel, landed in Prince Edward Island in 1836 and founded the James Holman family on Winsloe Road.

"That same spirit of adventure has taken members of his family to the New West and as far as Vancouver, two daughters to India as missionaries

"One member of the family remained on Prince Edward Island until the time of his death, and the grandson of the early pioneer has served the City of Charlottetown as Mayor for two terms.

"As a daughter of James Holman I take great pleasure in presenting to the City of Charlottetown, a portrait of His Worship, B. Roy Holman, Mayor from 1940 to 1944."

The auditor's statement of civic finances for the year ending Dec. 31, 1943, includes the following items of revenue and expenditure:

Revenue

Assessment year 1943: real, $192,-390.82; personal, $73,476.81; poll, $10,100. Total $275,967.63.

Licenses and sundry taxes $3,581.

Police Court and dog tax, rent market house, scales, market tolls, etc. $10,664.28.

Commissioners of Sewers and Water Supply, $34,122.31.

Province of P.E Island: Fire grant, $650; library grant, $900; Dominion - provincial agreement $10,132.50. Total $45,804.81.

Total revenue. $336,017.72.

Expenditures

Advertising general, $819.56

Appeal Court, $400; assessing and collecting $4,484.71.

Auditors $800.

Bath houses, maintenance, etc. $543.26.

Building inspection $199.92.

City government $6,779.02.

City Hall maintenance $2,922.69.

C.N.R. Wig-wags $126.33.

Fire Department $5,242.44.

Grants, sundry $9,451.

Health $3,017.

Insurance $4,090.74.

Interest coupons, handling charges $391.50.

Interest on debentures $107,312.-41, less accrued interest (1942) on sale of debentures of $199.53.

Interest on Bank overdraft, $2,-105.15.

Library maintenance $2,751.66.

Market House maintenance $4,-416.16.

Miscellaneous expense $1,707.41.

Police Department $19,049.37.

Police Court $2,926.20

Pond maintenance $20.16.

Street lighting $10,758.

School Board $59,826.49.

Squares maintenance $955.81.

Streets maintenance $24,650.60.

Superannuations $2,026.40.

Sinking fund provision, ordinary, and Water and Sewers, $46,129.07, less payments received on street and sidewalk assessment of $4,414.-46.

Travelling expenses $544.92.

Victoria Park maintenance $1,-158.21.

Provision for depreciation of motor trucks, $350, office equipment $450, and police department $700.

Reserve for estimated uncollectable 1943 assessment $12,000.

Deficit Housing Account for year $127.33.

Total expenditures and reserves $334,621.54.

Surplus current year $1,396.18.

THURSDAY

PRISONER OF WAR — Mrs. B. N. Deas has received information that her husband, Flt. Sergt. Deas, R.A.F., who was reported missing, is a prisoner of war in a German concentration camp.

—WOUNDED — Among those reported wounded in the latest Canadian Army casualty list is acting Lance Corp. James Earl Colwill, of the Canadian Armoured Corps. Corp. Colwill's next of kin is his wife, Mrs. Eva E. Colwill, Northam, P.E.I.

—LEGION AUXILIARY MEET— The annual meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Summerside Branch of the Canadian Legion was held on Wednesday but due to the absence of some of the offices the election of officers was postponed till next Tuesday. S.

ENJOYABLE PARTY — An enjoyable party was held last night at the Knights of Columbus Canadian Army Hut in Charlottetown for men of the armed forces. All three services were represented in the large crowd present. Lunch was served by a committee under the supervision of Mr. R. A. MacDonald, while Mr. Daniel Noonan acted as master of ceremonies. Several specialties added to the enjoyment of the evening.

AIR GRADUATES — Sgt. J. E. Wauge of Wilmot Valley has graduated as an air gunner, R.C.A.F., from No. 9 bombing and gunnery station at Mont Joli. From No. 1 A. O. S. station at Malton, Sgt. J. H. McKenna, 33 Victory Ave., Charlottetown, graduated on Jan. 13 as a navigator, and has been awarded a commission. Another Prince Edward Islander, Wireless Air Gunner D. B. MacLennan, has been appointed to commissioned rank. His mother is Mrs. J. MacLennan, Upper Montague.

— OFFICERS ELECTED — The following is the elected officers and council of the Summerside Board of Trade for the year 1944. President, D. O. Baker (reelected) Vice Pres. W. M. Mellish, Secretary, R. S Hinton, Auditors, T. E. Hickey, R. T. Dodds, Council—J. L. Gorrill, C. R. Rogers, A. R. Brennan, J. E. Campbell, J. F. Arnett, W. M. Mellish, W. J. Lidstone, L. R. Allen, Thomas Mitton, E. P. Foley, J. E. Dalton —S.

—PROMOTED TO CORPORAL —Sapper W. L. Enman, A-5, Canadian Engineer training centre, Petawawa Camp, whose home is at 8 North Market St., Summerside, P. E.I., has been promoted to Lance Corporal. Enlisting in March, 1943 Lance Corporal Enman received his basic training at Charlottetown before being transferred to Petawawa. Since then he has attended a course at Long Branch, Ont., and is presently taking a special at A-5

—CONDITION IMPROVES — The condition of Joseph Wedge of North Carleton, in the Prince County Hospital at Summerside, was reported to be considerably improved last night. Mr. Wedge was picked up unconscious on the road near his home Tuesday night and taken to hospital in what was described as a serious condition He was believed to have been injured by a snow plow which was operating on the road near where he was found. Last night, however, he was said to have a "very good chance" of making a complete recovery. S.

—RECEIVES COMMISSION — Mrs. John Stevens, nee Lorraine Arsenault, Summerside, has received word from R. C. A. F. headquarters, Ottawa, that her husband Sgt. John Stevens of the Royal Australian Air Force has been granted his commission dating from July 21, 1943. Pilot Officer Stevens has been listed as officially missing since August 27, 1943. He had been on a night flight over the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and later the body of one of the crew was found after it had washed up on the shore of the Magdalen Islands. He was stationed at Debert at that time taking operational training. He was a wireless operator air gunner. PO. Stevens' home is in Dubbo, New South Wales, Australia. S.

AUXILIARY FIRE EQUIPMENT —The year 1943 was comparatively light in fire losses in Charlottetown, according to a report received at last night's Board of Trade meeting from chairman Morton Dew of the fire committee. Local property damage from fire last year is estimated at $20,000, compared with $53,000 in 1942 and $152,000 in 1941. The auxiliary fire fighting equipment of the Civil Defense committee was further augmented during the year, and now comprises one 500 g. p. m. pumper and six 200 g. p. m. pumpers, all with the necessary hose, equipment and trained crews. In addition the Provincial Civil Defense committee has under its control, and normally houses in Charlottetown, mobile fire fighting equipment capable of relaying 1,000 gallons of water per minute for a very considerable distance, and from there could relay it another 1500 feet and deliver approximately 600 gallons per minute for eight streams, all this without benefit of the city water supply.

FORMER P. E. ISLANDER — The Country Gentleman says: — "More than a dozen new varieties of Irish potatoes developed in recent years are results of potato-breeding work by Dr. Frederick J. Stevenson, of the Plant Industry Station at Beltsville Maryland. These improved varieties have added millions of bushels to production. One third of all certified seed potatoes planted in 1944 will be of new varieties developed by Stevenson and his associates in cooperation with thirty state experiment stations. One of the most popular new potatoes is the Sebago, another the Katahdin, described by Stevenson as "the most remarkable potato variety in the world". Late in December Stevenson and his staff harvested 40,000 new potato seedlings grown from true seed, not tubers. Any one of these is a potential new variety he said. A native of Prince Edward Island commonly known as "Spud Island" Stevenson says he was "practically raised in a potato field."

FRIDAY

SAD NEWS—Mr. J. F. Gard, Southport, has received word of the death of his sister Mrs. Allan Haywood in Lowell, Mass. Mrs. J F. Gard leaves this afternoon to attend the funeral of Mrs. Allan Haywood, whose remains arrive to-night.

WOUNDED IN ACTION—Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Shephard of Cardigan have received word that their son, Sgt. Francis Bertram Shephard has been wounded in action. A second telegram informed them that he was progressing favorably and had been removed from the dangerously ill to the seriously ill list.

RETURN HOME — Friends of the three Southport boys who were absent from their homes since Saturday will be pleased to know that two of the boys, Morgan McKay and Edwin Henry arrived home safely last evening. The third, Reginald Callaghan, went on to Halifax to be with his father.

Another valued link between the present and the last generation was severed by the hand of death when, at the home of his sister Mrs. Ernest McMillan Vernon River, Mr. Joseph A. Chisholm of Uigg passed to his eternal reward on Wednesday January 19th, 1944 at the age of 53 years.

BRIDGE TOURNAMENT LAST NIGHT — The regular Thursday night bridge tournament in aid of the Kinsmen's Milk-for-Britain Fund was held in the Oddfellows Lodge Room last night. Winners were: Ladies first, Lucy VanIderstine; Ladies second, Clare Brown; gentlemen's first, A. J. Duff; gentlemen's second, P. Barlow.

ATTENDS MEETING — Mr. J.J. Trainor, president of the P.E.I. Federation of Agriculture is attending the 8th annual meeting of the Canadian Confederation of Agriculture which opened yesterday in Quebec City Mr. Trainor, along with R.A Profitt, Freetown, and J.V. Moore, Crapaud, also represented P.E.I at meetings of the Dairy Farmers' Association of Canada held in Quebec this week.

TEMPERANCE MEETING YESTEDAY — Dr. A. J. Irwin, Secretary of the Canadian Temperance Federation, and Dr. John Coburn, both of Toronto, who arrived here Wednesday night held a meeting in the Y. M. C. A. yesterday. These gentlemen were here for the purpose of investigating the work of the Prohibitory Law here and for setting up, in its initial stages, the Maritime Temperance organization, which will include the three Maritime Provinces. They left for Halifax this morning.

WEDDED IN ST. PAUL'S — An attractive wedding of special interest to the R. A. F. in Charlottetown, took place in St. Paul's Church yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock when Padre H. W. Guiness united in marriage Miss Phyllis Ena Lovatt, Nursing Sister of the R. A. F. Hospital here, and Flight Lieut. John Wilson, R. A. F. The bride, smartly attired in her Nurses' uniform, was attended by her friend, Nursing Sister Marjory Maglashen, also in uniform. The groom was supported by his fellow officer, Flt. Lieut David R. Hall. The bride was given in marriage by Group Captain H. N. Hampton in the presence of immediate friends. Appropriate music was effectively rendered by FO. R. Taylor, who was at the organ, and the happy couple were showered with confetti and good wishes as they left the church.

The annual meeting of the Women's Progressive Conservative Association was held in the Conservative committee rooms, Phillips Building last evening. The acting president, Mrs. H. H. Horne occupied the chair.

There was a large and enthusiastic meeting and after the reports had been read and adopted the election of officers took place with the following results:

Honorary president, Mrs. W. J. P. McMillan.

President, Mrs. H. H Horne.

First vice president, Mrs James Blake.

Second vice president, Miss Roberta Nicholson.

Secretary treasurer, Mrs. H. F. McPhee.

Assistant secretary treasurer, Miss Ruth Vinalcombe.

The president and her executive then named the following additional ladies to the executive: Mrs McLure; Mrs. Kennedy; Mrs. Woodman; Mrs. Rossiter; Mrs. Foster; Mrs. Sutherland; Mrs. Cullen; Mrs. Bell; Mrs Wilson; Mrs. Rogers, Mrs. Maddigan, Miss McLure; Mrs. Walker; Miss Collins; Mrs. Farmer, Mrs. Crawford; Miss Brown.

A hearty vote of thanks to the retiring officers was ably moved by Mrs. Robert Sutherland who spoke very feelingly of the loss of the highly esteemed president, Mrs. Macdonald. This vote of thanks was seconded by Mrs Woodman and presented to the retiring officers by Mrs. Maddigan

After the routine business was disposed of the meeting adjourned.

CANADIAN LEGION — The regular monthly meeting of the Charlottetown Branch of the Canadian Legion was held in the Legion home last night. Several new members were present and one application for membership was read and accepted. Encouraging reports were read from all the committees and indicated that the activities of the branch are being successfully carried out. It was announced that it would be greatly appreciated if the names of members who are ill at home or in hospital were handed to either the Legion or to the Red Cross Corps. The Red Cross Corps is doing a splendid work in visiting the sick every Saturday afternoon. Several subjects pertaining to rehabilitation after the war were brought up for consideration and a lively discussion followed. Unemployed veterans were reminded that the Legion will be glad to assist them in every way to obtain employment if they contact the secretary at the Legion Home. At the close of the business session an appetizing lunch was served by the entertainment committee. The meeting closed with the King.

Citizens learned with surprise and regret yesterday of the passing of J Charles Moran in his 61st year whose death occurred at his home early this morning after a long illness.

The late Mr. Moran, a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Michael Moran, was well and favorably known not only in the city but throughout the entire province. As a former business executive he was known to many of our citizens with whom he came in contact as one who was honest in all his dealings and "whose word was his bond."

For a number of years he was a prominent member of the old Abegweit Club and was a tower of strength to the football and hockey teams, on the latter of which he was a star goal keeper. Previous to his membership in the Abegweit Club he was a member of the old Anchor Club.

He was a member of the Choir of St. Dunstans Basilica and a member of the Charlottetown Council Knights of Columbus.

The deceased was, until late years, prominent in the Militia, holding the rank of Sergeant Major in the Artillery on his retirement from that body.

For a number of years he was employed with Moore and McLeod and later with the late Sixtus McLellan, as a bookkeeper, resigning from the latter position to accept the position of manager with O. Lyons and Company. After the death of Mr. Lyons, he continued as manager until ill health forced him to resign, about three years ago.

He leaves to mourn, his wife (nee Annie Sullivan) and one daughter Winnifred, of the Staff of the Provincial Bank. Also surviving are two sisters, Mrs William Moran and Miss Hazel Moran of the Fisheries department and two brothers Lawrence in the United States and George, accountant in the Transport Department, Marine Branch.

BIRTHS

CLOW—At the Prince County Hospital on Sunday, January 23, 1944, to Mr. and Mrs. George Clow, Summerside, twins, a son and a daughter.

MacLEOD — At the King's County Hospital, Montague, P.E.I., on Jan. 16, 1944, to Mr. and Mrs. Alex MacLeod (nee Almeda Howlett), a son, Wallace Barrie.

BECK — At the King's County Hospital, Montague, P.E.I., on Jan. 22, 1944, to Mr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Beck Montague, P.E.I., a daughter.

THOMPSON—At the P. E. I. Hospital, January 24, 1944, to Lt. C. Stanley Thompson (now overseas) and Mrs. Thompson, nee Y